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In re A	Application of:)
Masay	oshi OKURA, et al.)
Applic	cation No.: 09/613,742) Group Art Unit: 2872
Filed:	July 11, 2000) Examiner: J. PHAN
For:	ROTARY DEFLECTOR, OPTICAL SCANNING UNIT AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)))

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2002 (Paper No. 6), the period for response to which having been extended through August 24, 2002 by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend pending claims 1, 9 and 12 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A rotary deflector comprising a mass member attached to a non-rotary section of a driving motor for rotating a ploygon mirror, wherein a periphery of the mass member is larger than that of the non-rotary section of the driving motor.

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